

The

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Story

STUDY GUIDE WEEK 13

Mar. 26

LUKE 14-15, PSALM 85

1. What is the Parable of the Great Banquet in Luke 14 about?

2. What is the Parable of the Lost Sheep in Luke 15 about?

3. What is the Parable of the Prodigal Son in Luke 15 about?

4. What does Jesus say about counting the cost in Luke 14?

Discussion Question: What are common excuses people make for not accepting an invitation to follow Jesus, and how can we address them?



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Mar. 27

LUKE 16-17, PSALM 86

1. What does Jesus say about faith in Luke 17?

2. What is the story of the ten lepers in Luke 17 about?

3. What does Jesus say about receiving the kingdom of God like a child in Ch. 18?

4. What is the Parable of the Persistent Widow in Luke 18 about?

Discussion Question: What can we learn from the story of the ten lepers about the importance of gratitude in our lives, and how can we cultivate a spirit of gratitude in ourselves and in our communities?

Mar. 28

LUKE 18-19, PSALM 87

1. What does the blind beggar ask Jesus for in Luke 18?

2. What is the response of the rich ruler to Jesus' command to sell all he has and give to the poor in Luke 18?

3. What does Zacchaeus promise to do after he encounters Jesus in Luke 19?

4. What do the people shout when Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey in Ch. 19?

Discussion Question: In the story of Zacchaeus, we see a transformation from a wealthy tax collector to a repentant and generous person. What can we learn from Zacchaeus' story about the transformative power of encountering Jesus?

Mar. 29

LUKE 20-21, PSALM 88

1. What does Jesus say about the authority of John the Baptist in Luke 20?

2. What does Jesus say about the resurrection in Luke 20?

3. What does Jesus say about paying taxes to Caesar in Luke 20?

4. What does Jesus say about the greatest commandment in Luke 20?

Discussion Question: How can we discern truth from falsehood and remain faithful in the face of trials and tribulations, as Jesus warns in Luke 20 and 21?

Mar. 30

LUKE 22, PSALM 89

1. What is the significance of the Last Supper in Luke 22?

2. What does Jesus pray for in the Garden of Gethsemane in Luke 22?

3. What does Jesus say about his disciples' future role in Luke 22?

4. What does Jesus say about Peter's denial in Luke 22?

Discussion Question: How can we apply the lessons from Jesus' actions and words in Luke 22 to our own lives, especially during challenging times?

Mar. 31

LUKE 23-24, PSALM 90

1. Who is Barabbas, and what happens to him in Luke 23?

2. What happens when the women report the empty tomb to the disciples? (24)

3. How do the disciples recognize Jesus after his resurrection in Luke 24?

4. What does Jesus tell his disciples to do before he ascends to heaven in Luke 24?

Discussion Question: How does Jesus' death and resurrection challenge us to view power and authority in our own lives and in the world around us?

Apr. 1

ROMANS 1-3, PSALM 91

1. Why is everyone without excuse before God, according to Romans 1?

2. How does Paul describe the righteousness of God in Romans 3?

3. What is the purpose of the law, according to Romans 3?

4. Can anyone be justified by works of the law, according to Romans 3?

Discussion Question: In Romans 1, Paul describes the consequences of rejecting God and exchanging his truth for a lie. In what ways do we see this pattern of rejection and exchange playing out in the world today, and how can we as Christians respond to this reality in a way that is both loving and truthful?

The Answers

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1. The Parable of the Great Banquet is about a man who invited guests to a banquet but they made excuses, so he invited the poor and outcast instead.
2. The Parable of the Lost Sheep is about a shepherd who left 99 sheep to search for the one that was lost and rejoiced when he found it.
3. The Parable of the Prodigal Son is about a father who welcomed back his younger son who had squandered his inheritance, while the older son was resentful.
4. Jesus says to count the cost of following him, which means considering the sacrifices and challenges that come with it, and being willing to give up everything else to follow him.

MARCH 27

1. Jesus says that if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to a mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it will obey you.
2. The story of the ten lepers is about ten men who were healed of their leprosy by Jesus, but only one returned to give thanks.
3. Jesus says that whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.
4. The Parable of the Persistent Widow is a story Jesus told about a widow who kept asking a judge for justice against her adversary, and eventually, the judge granted her request because of her persistence.

MARCH 28

1. The blind beggar asks Jesus for mercy and healing.
2. The rich ruler is saddened and does not follow Jesus' command.
3. Zacchaeus promises to give half of his possessions to the poor and to repay anyone he has cheated four times the amount.
4. The people shout, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"

MARCH 29

1. Jesus asks the religious leaders whether John the Baptist's authority came from heaven or from men.
2. Jesus says that in the resurrection, people will neither marry nor be given in marriage
3. Jesus tells the Pharisees to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to give to God what belongs to God.

The Answers

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4. Jesus says that the greatest commandment is to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself.

MARCH 30

1. The Last Supper is a meal Jesus shares with his disciples before his crucifixion and serves as the origin of the Christian practice of Communion.
2. Jesus prays for the Father's will to be done and for strength to face the upcoming trial.
3. Jesus tells his disciples that they will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.
4. Jesus tells Peter that he will deny him three times before the rooster crows.

MARCH 31

1. Barabbas is a criminal who is released instead of Jesus by the crowd.
2. The disciples do not believe at first, but Peter goes to the tomb and finds it empty.
3. Jesus reveals himself by breaking bread and explaining the Scriptures.
4. Jesus tells his disciples to stay in Jerusalem and be his witnesses to all nations.

APRIL 1

1. Everyone can see God's invisible attributes through his creation, but they choose to suppress the truth in unrighteousness.
2. Paul describes the righteousness of God as a gift received through faith in Jesus Christ.
3. The purpose of the law is to show people their sin and need for a savior.
4. No one can be justified by works of the law, because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

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